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SUBJECT:HIAEA BOARD OF GOVERNORS: AGENDA ITEM 2 (IAEA ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1976)

SUMMARY: AFTER INTERVENTION BY SEVERAL DELS, AS NOTED BELOW, AGENCY'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1976 WAS APPROVED. MOST NOTEWORTHY COMMENTS WRE MADE BY PHILIPPINE DEL, EXPRESSING CONCERN AT ALLEGED EROSION OF NPT COMMITMENTS BY SUPPLIER STATES PARTY TO NPT, AND CALLING FOR DG TO ESTABLISH FORUM WHERE SUPPLIERS AND RECIPIENTS COULD MEET TO RENEGOTIATE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR NUCLEAR SUPPLIES FOR PEACEFUL UNCLASSIFIED

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NUCLEAR PROGRAMS. THIS WAS ECHOED BY SEVERAL DELS. END SUMMARY

1. PHILIPPINE DEL EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR SECRETARIAT'S REPORT AND NOTED THAT IAEA HAD BEEN STRENGTHENED BY EXPANDED ACTIVITIES IN PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY. HE EXPRESSED PLEASURE THAT MORE STATES HAD JOINED

NPT IN PAST YEAR BUT ALSO NOTED ADVERSE DEVELOPMENTS IN NUCLEAR POLICIES OF CERTAIN STATES. HE INDICATED THAT PHILIPPINES, AND NPT PARTY PLANNING ITS FIRST NUCLEAR POWER PROGRAM, FOUND ITSELF IN DIFFICULT SITUATION SINCE FUTURE SUPPLY POLICIES OF CERTAIN STATES ARE UNCLEAR. HE NOTED THAT A CERTAIN GROUP OF COUNTRIES NOW ASY THAT, HENCEFORTH, EXISTING AGREEMENTS AND NON-PROLIFERATION COMMENTS ARE NOT RPT NOT ENOUGH, AND MADE OBLIQUE REFERENCES TO LONDON SUPPLIERS GROUP, SUMMIT GROUP, AND OTHER ACTIONS WHICH COULD AFFECT PHILIPPINE NUCLEAR PROGRAMS. HE SAID THIS CREATES SERIOUS CONCERN AND ANXIETY AND STRESSED NEED FOR ALL PARTIES TO NPT TO COMPLY WITH ALL ITS PROVISIONS, INCLUDING PARTICULARLY ARTICLE IV. HE COMPLAINED ABOUT NPT PARTIES ADDING REQUIREMENTS BEYOND NPT ON A TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT BASIS. IF AGENCY STATUTE, NPT, AND OTHER EXISTING INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS ARE NOT RPT NOT SUFFICIENT TO STOP PROLIFERATION, HE SAID THAT STEPS SHOULD THEN BE TAKEN TO RENEGOTIATE THESE COMMITMENTS INSTEAD OF SITUATION WHERE CERTAIN STATES UNILATERALLY ADD ON NEW REQUIREMENTS IN BITS AND PIECES. IN VIEW OF THIS SITUATION, PHILIPPINE REP CALLED ON DG TO ESTABLISH A FORUM FOR SUPPLIERS AND RECIPIENTS TO MEET TO RENEGOTIATE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR NUCLEAR SUPPLIES FOR PEACEFUL NUCLEAR PROGRAMS.

2. SOUTH AFRICAN REP FOLLOWED BY INDICATING THAT SOUTH AFRICA IS NOT RPT NOT NPT PARTY, BUT AGREED UNCLASSIFIED

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WHOLEHEATEDLY WITH STATEMENT MADE BY PHILIPPINE REP. HE SAID SOUTH AFRICA WAS GIVING SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO RATIFICATION OF NPT BUT WAS MOST CONCERNED ABOUT IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE IV OF NPT, NOTING THAT, IN SOUTH AFRICA'S RECENT EXPERIENCE, THESE PROVISIONS HAVE BEEN TOTALLY IGNORED.

3. PAKISTANI REP NOTED INCREASING TENDENCY IN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PORTION OF REPORT TO ARTIFICIALLY INFLATE TOTAL AMOUNT OF RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, BY INCLUDING RESOURCES FROM UNDP, SIDA, ETC., WHICH GIVES A FALSE IMPRESSION THAT ALL THIS ASSISTANCE COMES FROM IAEA RESOURCES. HE ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER DECLINING POWER OF RESOURCES FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND NOTED THAT NOT RPT NOT ALL MEMBER STATES HAVE CONTRIBUTED THEIR FAIR SHARE TO THE VOLUNTARY FUND. RE PHILIPPINE COMMENTS, HE NOTED THAT SANCTITY OF EXISTING AGREEMENTS WERE VERY IMPORTANT AND THAT, PERHAPS DG COULD COME UP

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WITH APPROPRIATE SUGGESTIONS FOR A GET-TOGETHER BY
SUPPLIERS AND RECIPIENTS.

4. BRAZILIAN DEL DWELT AT LENGTH ON IMPORTANCE OF
AGENCY PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR SAFETY
CODES AND GUIDES AND EXTREMELY IMPORTANCE OF ADEQUATE
NUCLEAR SAFETY PROGRAMS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
EMBARKING ON NUCLEAR POWER PROGRAMS.

5. JAPANESE DEL STRESSED THAT, AMONG IMPORTANT ISSUES
TO BE SOLVED IN PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY WAS
TO FIND WAYS OF CLOSING THE NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE.
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HE ALSO SUPPORTED AGENCY'S PROGRAM TO DEVELOP NUCLEAR SAFETY CODES AND GUIDES, WHICH WAS MAKING PROGRESS.

6. U.S. DEL CONGRATULATED DG AND SECRETARIAT ON EXCELLENT REPORT AND EXPRESSED PLEASURE THAT ADDITIONAL MATERIAL HAD BEEN INCLUDED IN TABLE 5 LISTING QUANTITIES OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL UNDER AGENCY'S SAFEGUARDS, AND THAT PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE IN PROVIDING INFORMATION CONCERNING RESULTS OF VARIOUS AGENCY MEETINGS HELD INSTEAD OF SIMPLY LISTING TITLES OF MEETINGS.

7. BANGLADESH DEL MADE BRIEF STATEMENT CALLING FOR BETTER UTILIZATION OF RESOURCES FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

8. SOVIET DEL EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR AGENCY PROGRAMS,

BUT COULD NOT AGREE WITH CERTAIN POINTS MADE IN PARAGRAPHS 35-40, WHICH REFLECTED A "TENDENTIOUS FLAVOR." FOR EXAMPLE, HE COULD NOT AGREE WITH REFERENCE IN PARAGRAPH 38 TO "NON-CONVERTIBLE AND DIFFICULT CURRENCIES," SINCE, IN FACT, "DIFFICULT" CURRENCIES ACTUALLY COULD BE SAID TO BE CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES, WHICH WERE NOT SUBJECT TO EFFECTS OF INFLATION. HE ALSO CALLED FOR INCREASED EFFECTIVENESS OF USE OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

9. NIGERIAN REP NOTED REFERENCE IN PARAGRAPH 15 THAT ONLY TANGIBLE BENEFITS FOR GREAT MAJORITY OF AGENCY'S DEVELOPING MEMBER STATE ACHIEVABLE AT THIS TIME FROM PEACEFUL USES OF ATOMIC ENERGY INVOLVED APPLICATION OF NUCLEAR SCIENCE AND TECHNIQUES IN FOOD AND AGRICULTURE, MEDICINE, DEVELOPMENT OF WATER RESOURCES, ETC., AND CONFIRMED THAT NIGERIA ITSELF
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WAS IN THIS POSITION. HE ALSO MENTIONED THAT NIGERIA HAD RECENTLY CONCLUDED AN AGREEMENT WITH IAEA FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF TSE TSE FLY ERADICATION PROJECT. HE ALSO NOTED THAT AGENCY SHOULD FIND WAYS TO INFLUENCE PUBLIC OPINION AND POLICIES OF GOVERNMENTS IN PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY.

10. CHILEAN DEL CONGRATULATED SECRETARIAT FOR EXCELLENT REPORT, BUT SUGGESTED IT BE ACCOMPANIED BY REPORT ON UNLIQUIDATED OBLIGATIONS AND UNOBLIGATED BALANCES FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. IN THIS CONNECTIONS, CHILEAN REP

HAD PREPARED PAPER ON SUBJECT WHICH HE REQUESTED THAT
DG CIRCULATE TO BOARD MEMBERS.

11. PLISH DEL SUPPORTED SOVIET STATEMENT RE NON-
CONVERTIBLE CURRENCIES AND NOTED THAT POLAND HAD
OFFERED POLISH EQUIPMENT FOR TECHNICAL

ASSISTANCE AT LAST GENERAL CONFERENCE, BUT THAT AGENCY
HAD SO FAR NOT RPT NOT TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF THIS OFFER.

12. MALAYSIAN DEL NOTED THAT MALAYSIA HAD BENEFITED
FROM AGENCY'S PROGRAMS, BUT THEY WERE CONCERNED ABOUT
RISING UNCERTAINTY CONCERNING USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY.
HE ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN AT DECLINE IN REAL VALUE
OF RESOURCES FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.

13. EGYPTION DEL EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR
EXPLANATION IN PARAGRAPHS 35 TO 40 RE REASONS FOR
UNOBLIGATED BALANCES, WHICH HE FELT ADEQUATELY
EXPLAINED THE MATTER.

14. SINCE NO RPT NO FURTHER MEMBERS WISHED TO
MAKE STATEMENTS, CHAIRMAN NOTED THAT COMMENTS WOULD
BE CONSIDERED IN PREPARATION OF FINAL VERSION OF
REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED TO GENERAL CONFERENCE AND HE
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